

REMARKS

The Office communication has identified improper claim numbering in the amendment submitted on May 6, 2005 (hereinafter the "Prior Amendment"). To present the right claim numbers, Applicants hereby submit this response.

By this response, Applicants have (a) amended claim numbers 23-27 to claim numbers 22-26 respectively in the claims; and (b) incorporated the remarks that accompanied the Prior Amendment by reference, except that every recitation of claim 23 through claim 27 is replaced by claim 22 through claim 26 respectively. Accordingly, claims 1-12 and claims 21-26 are now pending.

Reconsideration of the application and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited. In the event that the Examiner, upon reconsideration, determines that an action other than an allowance is appropriate, the Examiner is requested and authorized to telephone undersigned Applicants' representative, with phone number as shown below, prior to taking such action.

Respectfully submitted,
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